



WERRIBEE SECONDARY COLLEGE

Wyndham's International High School

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COLLEGE UNIFORM POLICY

All Victorian School Councils have the authority to determine and implement a dress code for the students enrolled at their schools. This authority was granted in 1998 as a result of Government Legislation.

Since its opening in 1956, it has been the policy of Werribee Secondary College that all students shall wear a uniform. Teachers, parents and guardians support a school uniform for a number of sound reasons. It distinguishes our students, promotes a positive self-image and addresses an issue of **safety** and **security** for both students and staff which is of paramount importance. Uniforms provide a ready means of identification within the school grounds essential in helping to identify trespassers. We are confident that all parents and students will continue to recognise the significance of the College Uniform and remain keen to abide by this Policy.

Accordingly, parents are requested to assist the College by ensuring that their children have the correct uniform and wear it appropriately each day.

Please note the following:

- The school uniform is required to be worn **on the way to** school, during the school day and **on the way home from** school.
- **Most** items of uniform can be purchased directly from the WSC Uniform Shop. All items sold are quality items which meet the requirements of both students and College Policy. Items with a **logo** are **available only** from the WSC Uniform Shop.
- Parents should **ensure** that all items of uniform carry the **student's name** for identification purposes.

Families experiencing financial difficulties can contact the College information about support which can be given with respect to uniform purchases.

Personal Property Insurance

Personal property is often brought to school by students, staff and visitors. This can include mobile phones, iPods, electronic games, calculators, toys, musical instruments, sporting equipment and cars parked on school premises. The Department of Education and Early Childhood Development does not hold insurance for personal property brought to schools and it has no capacity to pay for any loss or damage to such property.

Student Accident Insurance Arrangements

The Department does not provide personal accident insurance for students. Parents and guardians are responsible for paying the cost of medical treatment for injured students including any transport costs. Student accident insurance policies are available from some commercial insurers. These cover a range of medical expenses not covered by Medicare and Private Health Insurance.

Email Address

From time to time, the College may wish to communicate with you via email. Could you please provide your current email address on the enrolment form and ensure that this is kept up-to-date.

The school uniform is required to be worn **on the way to school, during** the school day and **on the way home from school**. Students who are not wearing full uniform must report to the Sub School Co-ordinator before attending classes.

Students are expected to wear clean, neat and tidy uniform at all times.

SUMMER UNIFORM (Terms 1 & 4 only)

ALL STUDENTS

- School Blazer *with the College Logo*
- White Business Shirt *with the College Logo*
- College Tie *with the College Logo*
- Black Leather School Shoes[^]
- Navy Jumper *with the College Logo* (Years 7-9, *Optional*)
- Cherry Red Jumper *with the College Logo* (Years 10-12, *Optional*)

GIRLS

- School Dress *with the College Logo* +
- Navy School Pants *with the College Logo*
- Navy shorts *with the College Logo* +
- Socks - white

BOYS

- Grey School Trousers *with the College Logo*
- Grey School Shorts *with the College Logo* +
- Socks - white or grey

WINTER UNIFORM (Terms 2 & 3) (Formal School uniform: to be worn at formal events)

ALL STUDENTS

- School Blazer *with the College Logo*
- White Business Shirt *with the College Logo*
- College Tie *with the College Logo*
- Black Leather School Shoes[^]
- Navy Jumper *with the College Logo* (Years 7-9)
- Cherry Red Jumper *with the College Logo* (Years 10-12)

GIRLS

- Navy School Pants or Winter Skirt *with the College Logo* +
- Socks - white
- Tights - black or navy

BOYS

- Grey School Trousers *with the College Logo*
- Socks - white or grey

There will be a Term 2 transition period from Summer to Winter Uniform in weeks 1 to 3. Winter Uniform must be worn from week 4 onwards.

A College scarf is available for use in Terms 2 and 3.

Students are permitted to wear a turban, headscarf or hijab, but these must be plain in style and navy in colour.

+ *Shorts, skirts, dresses – minimum length just above knees*

[^] *Girls' shoes will be either buckled or laced. Boys' shoes will be laced. Specific details are available from the Uniform Shop or College Administration.*

SPORTS UNIFORM (Terms 1 to 4)

BOYS AND GIRLS

- Werrabee Secondary College Rugby Top
- College navy sports shorts *with the College Logo*
- College polo sports shirt *with the College Logo*
- College navy track pants *with the College Logo*

- Sports footwear
- College navy cap *with the College Logo* (must be worn during Physical Education in Terms 1 and 4)

BACKPACK (Compulsory)

- All students are required to use the **official Werribee Secondary College back pack** as their school bag to and from and around the College.
- College back packs and school bags must be clean, graffiti free and with no offensive or inappropriate labels or captions

ART COVERALLS

Art coveralls are compulsory for all Year 7 and 8 students.

UNIFORM RULES

WEARING OF THE SCHOOL BLAZER

- The blazer **must** be worn every day - to and from school.
- At school it must be worn **to and from** classes.
- In the classroom the blazer may be taken off and hung on the back of the seat.
- The blazer must be worn on all official occasions such as assemblies, excursions, photographs etc.
- No jacket other than the blazer may be worn to and from, or around the school.
- During wet weather a raincoat may be worn to and from school.
- Principal (or delegate) may announce that, during a particularly warm day, students may remove their blazers for the rest of the day and on the way home.

SHIRT AND TIE

- The tie must be worn properly at all times, with the top button of the shirt fastened.
- The shirt must be worn tucked in at all time.

BLACK LEATHER SCHOOL SHOES

- Black leather school shoes are the only footwear acceptable as part of uniform (except when students are participating in physical education). Images of acceptable footwear are illustrated in the price list.
- Socks must be above the ankle in length and white for girls, or white or grey for boys.

ACCEPTABLE SCHOOL SHOES



T-SHIRTS etc.

- Any garments worn under the school uniform must not be visible.
- Coloured or monogrammed T-shirts, singlets or skivvies are not permitted to be worn under shirts at any time.

COLLEGE SCARF

- The College scarf is available for extra warmth, and may be worn only in Terms 2 & 3.

- The scarf may be worn to, from or at school, provided the blazer is worn at the same time.

FACIAL PIERCINGS AND HAIRS STYLES

- Students and parents should note that unnatural hair colours, unconventional hair styles or facial piercings of any kind are **not permitted** at the College. If unsure, please check with a member of the College administration **before** making changes in these areas.

Students are required to wear their uniform appropriately and in a clean, well maintained state

- Collars to be turned down
- Shirts to be tucked in
- Ties knotted at the collar
- No torn or frayed items (including the bottom of trouser legs)
- Shoes must be clean and in good condition with laces tied or buckles fastened.
- No other non-uniform items of clothing may be worn, ie beanies, hoodies under blazers, etc

IMPLEMENTATION OF THE UNIFORM POLICY

- Students who are not in uniform are not permitted to go to class without obtaining a uniform pass.
- A uniform pass will only be issued to students who have a legitimate reason for not being able to attend in full uniform. This will require a note or other communication from a parent / guardian explaining the reasons.
- Students must readily show their uniform pass at all times when they are out of uniform.
- Uniform may be checked at the school entrance both on arrival and departure.
- Throughout the school day, students will be monitored by classroom teachers and may receive a “uniform” detention if they do not meet the requirements. Coordinators may also impose consequences such as detention in these cases.
- Students who do not have a legitimate reason for being out of uniform may be sent home after parents are contacted.
- Non-uniform items of clothing may be confiscated by members of staff.